



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Zwirmann et al.)	Confirmation No.: 7926
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Application No.: 10/809,768)	Group Art Unit: 3733
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Filed: March 24, 2004)	Examiner: Richard R. Shaffer
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For: BONE FIXATION IMPLANTS)	

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

The attached amendment and response is in reply to the non-final Office Action mailed April 5, 2006 from the USPTO. Please amend the application and consider the remarks which follow. Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

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02 FC:1202	300.00 DA
03 FC:1201	600.00 DA